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HONORING GENERAL GEORGE C. MARSHALL, THE ANNUAL DINNER OF THE OPC FOR 1949 WILL
HAVE AS SPEAKERS

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GUESTS OF HONOR WILL INCLUDE: BENEDICT BARNETT, CHIEF OF STAFF, U.S. AIR FORCE; AUSTIN: HIS EXCELLENCY ALBERT TARCHIANI, ITALIAN AMBASSADOR TO WASHINGTON: PAUL G. HOFFMAN: ROBERT P. PATTERSON: GEN. MARSHALL S. CARTER: MRS. GEORGE C. MARSHALL: MRS. FREDERICK C. OSBORN: AND OTHERS TO BE ANNOUNCED.

JESSICA DRAGONETTE, METROPOLITAN OPERA STAR, WILL SING "THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER".

(No Luncheon Wednesday, March 9th)

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C H E S A P E A K E A N D O H I O L I N E S S

LOUIS LOCHNER, chairman of the Dinner Committee for 1949, reports that his Committee is more than pleased with the progress and arrangements of our Tenth Anniversary Dinner. He urges all members to get in their reservations with checks before Wednesday, March 2nd. The deadline for names of guests for the seating list is Wednesday afternoon at 5 P.M. Members who have reserved tables and not sent in their checks have received notices that tables will not be held after Tuesday.

The Awards will be announced at the Dinner and the six winners presented with special sheepskins and engraved Hamilton wrist watches, according to RICHARD C. HOTTELET, chairman of the Awards Committee.

Several members called the office to ask what would happen to people who did not wish to eat roast beef. The Committee hastened to assure these people that a choice of fish is always given by the Waldorf. Leo Dryer's orchestra will play during the reception in the East Foyer at 7:30 P.M. and during the dinner which will begin promptly at 8 P.M.

BERNARD ESTES is taking care of the publicity and background stories will be ready for the press who cover the Dinner. All speeches will be covered as none are off the record. Gen. Marshall will speak informally, as will Dean Acheson.

The next luncheon of the Club will not take place until Wednesday, March 16th... An announcement of this luncheon will be made in the Bulletin next week.

The Book Committee for the new OPC book "Men of Destiny" consisting of JOHN BARKHAM, GEORGE KENT and WILLIAM DOERFLINGER, report that all chapters have now been assigned and that the deadline for copy will be around March 17th.

WOULD ANYONE BE INTERESTED IN TAKING OVER A LEASE FOR A FOREST HILLS APARTMENT IN A DETACHED HOME??? First floor of a brick home, yard, garage, huge playroom, two bedrooms, kitchen, dining room, living room with fireplace. Lease runs until Sept. 1951 at \$200. per month. Occupancy could be arranged in two or three months from now. L.I. Railroad, 15 minute ride with 1 stop. Call the office for details and telephone number of member offering apartment.

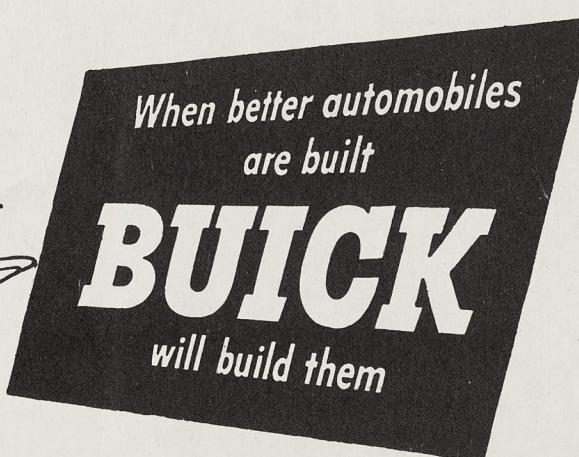
RUTH LLOYD will arrive in New York from Paris on the S.S. DeGrasse on March 19th to do a series of lectures and magazine articles over a period of two months. RUTH KARFF tells us that she is married but we have not been able to confirm the rumor as yet.

WALTER DURANTY in his new book "STALIN AND CO." (The Politburo - the Men Who Run Russia), published by Sloane, writes that "Stalin handpicked these men and trained them into an interlocking group by the force of his own personality and their mutual interests."

HAL LEHRMAN, now in Europe, will have an article in the March issue of Fortune and another in Reader's Digest before his Red Book series begins, according to his wife, here in New York.

MIKE NOWINSKI is undergoing a serious kidney operation at New York Hospital.

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BOOKS RECEIVED RECENTLY IN THE OPC LIBRARY:

THE NAKED AND THE DEAD, by Norman Mailer, from Rinehart and Co.

IN ANGER AND PITY, by Robert Magidoff, from Doubleday

THE YOUNG LIONS, by Irwin Shaw, from Random House

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION, by Herbert Brucker, from Macmillan and Co.

POLAND STRUGGLES FORWARD, by William Cary, from Greenberg

THE TIGER OF FRANCE (CONVERSATIONS WITH CLEMENCEAU), by Wythe Williams, from Duell, Sloane and Pearce

The American Newspaper Guild has appropriated \$10,000 to push its organizational drive at the Associated Press. HAL BOYLE and MARK BARRON are in charge here in New York.

NAT BARROWS of the Chicago Daily News Bureau at the UN reports that George Weller, CDN, is now covering Rome. He relieves Ernie Hill, who is returning to his old beat in Latin America after two years in Italy. William H. Stoneman's return to the CDN Foreign Service (after three years as special advisor to UN Secretary Gen. Lie) is timed for early in April. Bill and his wife, Ingrid, Lie's private secretary for a decade, will make their headquarters in Paris.

JOHN BARKHAM, who was five years with Time magazine, has joined the editorial staff of the New York Times Book Review.

IRENE KUHN of NBC is temporarily separated from her daughter, Rene, who has arrived in London to take up her duties as assistant press officer in the USIS of the State Dept. Mallory Brown, formerly AP, heads the London unit.

TOM DURRANCE, formerly of Kiplinger Magazine in Washington, leaves next week with his wife and small child for Copenhagen where he expects to spend the next couple of years as Chief of Information for the ECA Mission to Denmark.

MATTHEW HUTTNER has an article in the Feb. 27th issue of "This Week" magazine about the head public stenographer at the Hotel Waldorf Astoria here in New York. Also one in Pageant called "Wizard of Oil" a piece about Leo Ranney, the inventor of a new type of oil wells which is enabling us to tap oil previously considered "unrecoverable".

CORNELIUS RYAN, co-author with Frank Kelley of "The Star Spangled Mikado", has returned from several months in Ireland. He will now be the American correspondent for Irish Independent Newspapers, Ltd., of Dublin, Ireland.

MARTIN SHERIDAN has been busy writing articles and getting together picture stories for the following publications: Banking; Toronto Star Weekly; Drilling; The Lamp; and Ford Times (kodachrome layout of Ketchikan, Alaska). Also recently gave a talk before the Adventurers Club.

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The following applications for membership in the OPC have been received. Please send your recommendations, suggestions or complaints to CRAIG THOMPSON, Chairman, within the fortnight so that the applications can all be acted upon at the next meeting of the Committee, which will take place the week of March 14th (exact date will be announced in the Bulletin.)

ACTIVE:

BEN LUCIAN BURMAN, author. Paris, France for NEA Service from June 1926 to May 1929; North Africa, Pictorial Review, Jan. 1928 to Jan. 1929 and then Middle East and Europe from Jan. 1931 to Oct. 1931. War correspondent, NEA & Reader's Digest, attached to Free French and British Expeditionary Forces, Africa and Middle East, Jan. 1941 to Dec. 1941. RALPH CHAPMAN, New York Herald Tribune. Japan, Korea, etc. from 1946 to 1948 for the N.Y. Herald Tribune.

JOHN DORED, Paramount News. On permanent overseas assignment at U.S. Press Center, Berlin Military Post. Newsreel cameraman for Paramount News since 1927 in all European countries except Russia.

ARNOLD GINGRICH, now on temporary assignment for "Look" magazine in Switzerland. From September 1945 to present in Switzerland, France, Germany, Austria for "Esquire" and "Coronet".

HUGH M. P. HIGGINS, General Manager and Vice President of Station WMOA, Marietta, Ohio. China, Burma, India and Ceylon for Air Force Magazine and U.S. Army Air Force PRO from January 1944 to January 1945.

HARRIS JACKSON, en route home from the Far East where he has been a correspondent for the Associated Press since April, 1946 in South East Asia, Malaya, Indonesia, French Indo-China and Siam.

KEN LIKES, Associated Press correspondent now stationed in Indonesia. Honolulu, Hawaii for the AP July 1947 to Sept. 1948; Batavia, Indonesia, Sept. 1948 to present.

S. MARTIN RAKITA, Editor, Armed Forces Press Service. Served with YANK in England from early 1944 to end of 1945.

GUEST:

ALEX FAULKNER, London Daily Telegraph here in New York. Served with London Morning Post, 1927-28. Paris Times, 1928-29; Paris Staff of the London Daily Telegraph, 1929-1934; New York staff of same paper since 1934.

STANLEY SWINTON of the Associated Press office in Singapore and South East Asia, has arrived in New York and will spend several weeks on leave in the West before returning abroad. Stan brought news of many colleagues--Bob Cooper of the London Times has arrived in New York to be the UN correspondent for his paper and is staying at the Hotel Astor; Bill Syndey-Smith of the London Daily Express, has gone up to China from southeastern Asia to report; Tom Masterson of the AP has taken over for Swinton at Singapore--he was transferred there from China; Wilson Geddes, Col. for SCAP in Hawaii and former NANA correspondent, is now studying Chinese at the University of Geneva.

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WANTED: BY MEMBER OF OPC WHO IS DOING A BOOK *** UNFURNISHED OR PARTLY FURNISHED HOUSE WITH AT LEAST SIX ROOMS AND TWO BATHS--WITHIN ONE TO THREE HOURS COMMUTING DISTANCE OF N.Y.C. WOULD RENT FROM JUNE FIRST WITH OPTION TO BUY LATER. RENT WOULD BE FLEXIBLE DEPENDING ON THE ACCOMMODATIONS.

Latest news from Time, Inc. foreign correspondents comes from VI PRICE. Fred Gruin, for several years head of Time's Nanking Bureau, is back in New York writing foreign news for Time. Fred has been replaced by Dwight Martin, who was in Canton--Bob Doyle is covering for Time in Shanghai. Al Wright of Time's London office is in New York for several weeks. Bob Sherrod is back in Time's Washington Bureau--progress on his book about Marine Corps Aviation was temporarily interrupted by an appendectomy, but Bob expects to finish it shortly.

Among those present for the luncheon of February 16 at the Hotel Park Lane were WELDON JAMES of the Louisville Courier Journal; WALTER DURANTY; RANDAL HEYMANSON; ELIZABETH FAGG; NAT BARROWS, whose guest was Ambassador Sven Graffstrom, Chief of the Swedish Delegation to the United Nations; Fletcher Pratt and Weybourn Kelley, naval writers, guests of TOM JOHNSON, who announced that Admiral Momsen was detained in Washington at the last minute on a special Senate Committee hearing regarding the Navy; Madame Annette Clemenceau and Georges Clemenceau were guests of WYTHE WILLIAMS, who presided.

WELDON JAMES, on a visit to New York where he met lots of friends, won the first jackpot book "Hearing is Believing" by Marie Hays Heiner and TOM MORGAN won the second book by Wythe Williams "Tiger of France" - "Conversations with Clemenceau".

Captain Lawrence R. Daspit, reading a statement from Rear Admiral Momsen, said that "The United States Fleet will not be seriously hampered by submarines carrying out maneuvers in the next few years". Captain Daspit said that the U.S. Navy had never had better submarines in its hands and that the submarines which were the latest models put out by the Germans have been tested and improved by our own Navy. Whether the Russians have made any specific changes or improved these subs is a matter of rumor only.

The great American team of technology, industry and naval service will be capable of any foreseeable issue when it arises as far as can be ascertained at the present time, said Captain Daspit, who is assistant to Admiral Momsen and known as one of the leading experts on submarine warfare in the United States.

Georges Clemenceau, in a short speech, said that "men of good will should wage peace" and that he "preferred freedom to politics". The grandson of the famous "Tiger", M. Clemenceau was here in the United States on a short visit.

Hester E. Hensell, Editor.



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